IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

WRIT PETITION NO : 7118 of 2006

DATED: 13.4.2006

Between:

R.Ramesh Kumar petitioner

And

The Depot Manager, APSRTC

Warangal-I Depot, Warangal Respondent

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THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V.RAMANA

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ORAL ORDER:

The present writ petition is filed questioning the proceedings dated 18.3.2006 suspending the petitioner, pending enquiry into the charge of cash and ticket irregularities.

The petitioner herein is working as Conductor in the respondent corporation. While so, on 28.2.2006 he was deputed on route Siddipet and thereafter on 14.3.2006 a charge memo was issued to the petitioner alleging that petitioner has re-issued 10

tickets. The petitioner submitted an explanation for the same and there after, a charge sheet was issued on 18.3.2006. On the same day, vide separate proceedings, petitioner was suspended, pending enquiry. Questioning the suspension order, the present writ petition is filed.

Learned counsel for petitioner submitted that the allegation made in the charge sheet is incorrect and baseless. It is stated that due to crowd in the bus the petitioner made a wrong entry in the S.R. as 665 at stage no.19 and on noting the mistake has corrected the same as 655 at stage no.20 and there is no pecuniary loss caused to the corporation and continuing the petitioner under suspension is unwarranted.

On the other hand, learned Standing Counsel for respondent corporation submitted that the petitioner was placed under suspension pending enquiry by proceedings dt 18.3.2005 and without waiting for reasonable time for conclusion of the enquiry the petitioner has rushed to this Court and the writ petition is a premature one, needs no interference.

Heard learned counsel for petitioner and learned Standing Counsel for respondent corporation.

The petitioner was issued with a charge sheet and suspended only on 18.3.2006 and without waiting for a reasonable time, the petitioner rushed to this Court by filing the present writ petition on 10.4.2006. Thus, at this premature stage, this Court cannot go into the issue and interfere with the impugned order. In these circumstances, the only direction that can be given to the respondents is to conclude the enquiry expeditiously.

Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of directing the respondents to expedite the enquiry and pass appropriate final orders in accordance with law. No costs.

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N.V.RAMANA,J

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